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ECA/PE/V/R/E - MHILBERT; WHA/PDA - JCARPENTER-ROCK;  
MONTREAL, TORONTO AND VANCOUVER FOR PAOS;  
HALIFAX AND QUEBEC FOR CONGENS;  
CALGARY FOR PA FIELD REP; CALGARY PLEASE PASS TO WINNIPEG

E.O. 12958: N/A

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SUBJECT: FY 2006 IVLP EU RP on Current Social, Political and  
Economic Issues - October 24-November 11, 2005 - Adrienne  
Batra (Principal Candidate)

REFERENCE: OTTAWA 1504

Post is pleased to nominate Adrienne Batra, Manitoba  
Director of the Canadian Taxpayers Federation for subject  
project. Ms. Batra has full country team approval. EVDB-  
formatted nomination follows.

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START NOMINATION:

ECA-OFFICE: E/VRW

PROG-AGENCY-NAME:

POST-PROJ-ID: 335

ECA-PROJ-NO:

PROJ-NAME: Batra, Adrienne - EU RP Current Issues

START MEMO PROJ-DESC:

END MEMO PROJ-DESC:

PROJ-TYPE: Regional

PROG-TYPE: IV Grant Visitor

FY: 2006

DEPART-POST: 10/24/2005

SESSION-DATE:

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NO-OF-PART: 1

RANK-ORDER: 14

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PROJ-TYPE-ID: RP

PROG-TYPE-ID: 29

NOMINATING-POST-ID: 6540

FUNDING-CNTRY-ID: 322158

STATUS: N

ORIGINATOR: P

SUBJ-DISC: Mutual Understanding & Education

START BIO:

PREFIX: Ms.

F-NAME: Adrienne

M-NAME: Harpreet Kaur

L-NAME: Batra

SUFFIX:

POSITION-CODE: 339

PRINCIPAL?: Yes

GENDER: F

DOB: 11/09/1973

MAR-STAT:

BIRTH-CITY: Maple Creek, Saskatc

BIRTH-CNTRY: Canada

CITIZ-CNTRY: Canada

RES-CNTRY: Canada

START MEMO POSITION:

Manitoba Director, Canadian Taxpayers Federation

END MEMO POSITION:

START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:

- Researcher, Saskatchewan Party Caucus
- Research/Writer, Saskatchewan Telecommunications
- Communications Intern, Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce

END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:  
START MEMO US-TRAVEL:  
- December 1989 - Los Angeles, California - duration of  
visit was 7 days (personal)  
- December 2001 - Orlando, Florida - duration of visit  
was 8 days (personal)  
)- March 2002 - New York City- duration of visit 6 days  
(personal)  
- September 2003 - Big Sky Montana - duration of visit 10  
days (personal)  
END MEMO US-TRAVEL:  
START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:

END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:  
START MEMO EDUCATION:  
Masters in Public Administration, Bachelor of Arts (Hons.)  
Political Studies  
END MEMO EDUCATION:  
START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:  
I.H. Asper School of Business Young Associates  
END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:  
START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:  
The Taxpayer Magazine (national)- contribute articles for  
Manitoba section.  
- Frequent contributor to the Winnipeg Sun - opinion  
editorials include privatization, government waste, smoking  
ban and equalization payments  
- Provide a weekly commentary entitled Let's Talk Taxes  
which is distributed to 80 media outlets across the  
province.  
- Published pre-budget submissions to both the Province  
of Manitoba and the City of Winnipeg  
.- Published a report on the impact of School Taxes on  
Farmland  
.- Provided a submission to the review of MLA Salaries and  
Pensions and the Review of the Freedom of Information &  
Privacy Protection Act.

END MEMO PUBLICATIONS:  
START MEMO SPEC-CONSID:  
Dietary / Medical Considerations: None  
Smoker / Non-smoker: Smoker

END MEMO SPEC-CONSID:  
FIRST-LANG: English  
ENGL-READ: 5  
ENGL-SPEAK: 5  
ENGL-COMP: 5  
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OTHER-LANG: Panjabi/Punjabi  
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SPEAK: 0  
COMP: 0  
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END MEMO VIS-REC:  
NOMINATING-OFFICER: CG Todd Schwartz  
START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:  
Adrienne Batra leads the Manitoba branch of the Canadian  
Taxpayers Federation, a federally incorporated, non-profit,  
non-partisan, organization that describes itself as a  
watchdog on government. Ms. Batra has consistently been a  
high-achiever throughout her adult life, whether in college  
where she completed her college degree while serving as a  
Lieutenant in the Canadian Armed Forces - and being elected  
VP Academic to the University of Saskatchewan Students'  
Union - or in her current position where she maintains a  
high public profile through her well-researched columns and  
serving as a frequent guest host of Manitoba's most-listened  
to call-in radio show, Adler On Line. Although Ms. Batra is  
clearly thriving in her current environment, Post expects  
that she will continue to rise through the expanding network  
of pro-trade and free enterprise NGOs in Canada and one day  
will likely run for elected office. Ms. Batra is an avid  
free-trader and is favorably disposed to the United States,  
despite relatively limited exposure to the country and its  
people. More extensive exposure to the country through an  
IVLP would help to further shape her perceptions of the

United States and put some 'meat on the bones' of the positive conceptions she already holds. Batra will share her experiences in the United States via media appearances when she returns, as well as through her leadership position.

END MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:

NOM-OFF: American Presence Post Winnipeg

SPEAKER?: No

NOTIFY-EMB: No

MEDIA?: No

HOME-STAY: No

HOME-HOSP?: No

E-I-TYPE:

NOMINEE-ID: 505

PERSON-ID: 387

BIRTH-CNTRY-ID: CA

CITIZ-CNTRY-ID: CA

RES-CNTRY-ID: CA

FIRST-LANG-ID: EN

E-I-TYPE-ID:

NOM-POST-ID: 6540

NOM-FUNDING-CNTRY-ID: 322158

NOM-STATUS: N

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SPONS-FUNDS: 0

SPONS-AGENCY1:

USGOVT-AGENCY1:

US-AGENCY-AMT1: 0

USGOVT-AGENCY2:

US-AGENCY-AMT2: 0

INTL-ORG1:

INTL-ORG-AMOUNT1: 0

INTL-ORG2:

INTL-ORG-AMOUNT2: 0

VIS-GOVT-AMT: 0

COMMISSION: 0

OTHER-AMOUNT: 0

VIS-AMOUNT: 0

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